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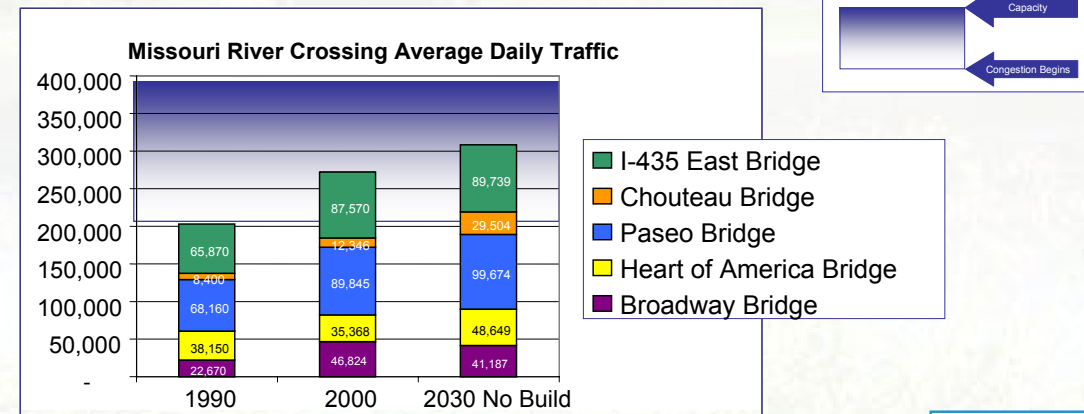
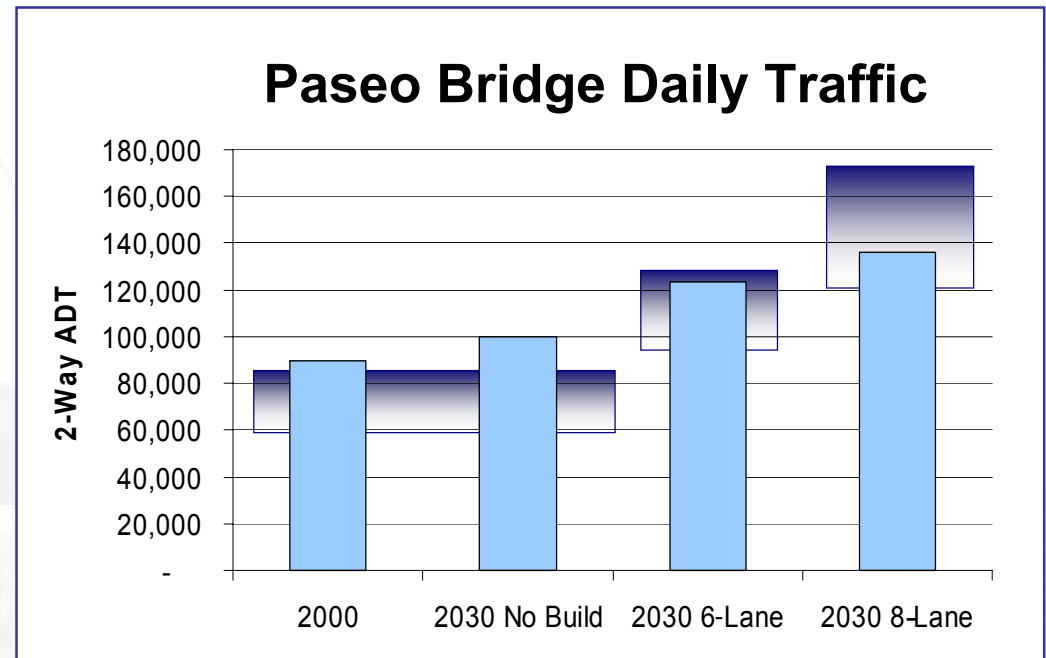
How can we best meet future needs for capacity?

Increasing transit use, shifting traffic to other crossings, traffic demand management and other low-impact tools are helpful but will not – by themselves or in combination – sufficiently reduce congestion in this corridor, based on current regional traffic models. To relieve congestion, additional highway capacity is likely needed.

With additional highway capacity also comes increased traffic. By 2030, forecasts show that even a 6-lane facility will be quite congested, with 8 lanes offering more capacity and drawing more traffic.

The construction of additional lanes also means that there will probably be impacts to nearby homes, businesses and communities.

The long-term solution likely includes both additional capacity and increased use of transit.



By 2030, the combined river crossings will carry at least 50% more traffic each day.